

*Congresswoman will tour the area with city leaders on August 6*

**Washington, DC** – Congresswoman Betty McCollum (MN-04) today announced the U.S. House of Representatives has approved \$1 million to facilitate land use changes for the City of Roseville's Twin Lakes area in the FY2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act (H.R. 3288), which was recently passed by the full House. She will visit the area on Thursday, August 6, 2009 to discuss the funding in the appropriations bill, which is still pending a vote by the U.S. Senate and the signature of President Obama.

"I am pleased to be able to secure federal funding for important infrastructure improvements at Twin Lakes and to partner with the city of Roseville," Congresswoman McCollum said.

Over the past 20 years, the City of Roseville has worked to facilitate land use change within the Twin Lakes area. Located near the interchange of Interstate 35W and Trunk Highway 36, Twin Lakes has excellent access both St. Paul and Minneapolis, yet it lacks public infrastructure. The vision for this area is a mixed-use community that includes a variety of office, service, and residential uses.

With final approval, the city of Roseville will conduct a comprehensive redesign of the Twin Lakes area. The new infrastructure will create vibrant, pedestrian friendly access, setting the tone for future private investment. In addition, the streets are being designed as complete streets to promote safe walking and bicycling in order to decrease the reliance on automobiles in the area.

*Congresswoman Betty McCollum (MN-4) serves on the House Appropriations & Budget Committees.*

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